

think adds further clarification to the whole honorarium question and assures us that...that it's probably a better clarification than what we currently have now. I'm planning on supporting that. Also, on the question of reporting, I thought Senator Wesely brings some good points. I guess in the heat of the moment there were some questions raised that led me not to support his draft of the reporting provision but I will be offering an amendment, I think, tightens it up a little more than what Senator Wesely had. Hopefully, we can deal with the reporting section here in a few minutes. But I will be supporting Senator Beutler's amendment. I will be withdrawing this one and, with that, Mr. Chair, I hereby withdraw amendment 797.

SENATOR WARNER: Okay, the amendment is withdrawn. Before we go to the next amendment, I would like to introduce to the Legislature, seated under the south balcony, Joe and Debbie Thimm and their family from Beatrice. They are the National Outstanding Young Farmer. At this time, if all of you would please stand so the Legislature can recognize you, please. Thank you. Are there further amendments on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend. (The Beutler amendment appears on page 1164 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, the amendment that we're on now has been passed out to you and is on your desk. To refresh your memory a little bit, what we've done in 232, with this amendment, you may recall that honoraria, honorarium were previously included in the definition of gift and, by virtue of being included in the definition of gift, was subject to the \$25 limitation which with this bill is being raised to \$50. What the amendment does is exclude honorarium as defined from the definition of gift so we know we're dealing with two separate things which would then exclude it also from the \$50 limitation and it would say that you can take honorarium, honoraria, in whatever amount you see fit, so long, so long as it bears a reasonable relationship to the value of the services rendered. And then it retains in the bill the reporting requirement so that whatever amount is taken then is reported. So it stiffens up the reporting requirement so that everything is on the table and there for everybody to see but it